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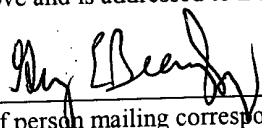
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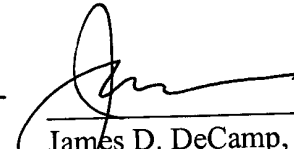
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for replying to the Office Action, mailed in connection with the above-captioned application on May 21, 2002, be extended for three months, up to and including November 21, 2002.

Enclosed is a check for \$460.00 for the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a). If there are any other charges or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

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